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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND 37 C.F.R. § 1.125 SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION STATEMENT

SIR:

Please amend the above-identified application before examination, as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3), a Substitute Specification (including the Abstract, but without claims) accompanies this response. It is respectfully requested that the Substitute Specification (including Abstract) be entered to replace the Specification of record.

IN THE CLAIMS:

On the first page of the claims, first line, change "What is claimed is:" to:

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Please cancel original claims 1 to 16, without prejudice, in the underlying PCT Application No. PCT/EP00/08233. Please also cancel, without prejudice, substitute claims 3-9 and 14-15 in the annex to the International Preliminary Examination Report.